(2) A road along the eastern bank of the main canal from the Kochupilammudu kadavu to the Iron bridge.

(3) A road along the western bank of the main canal from the Stone bridge to the Iron bridge.

The last two roads would connect all the landing ghats on the main canal and enable the merchants to land their goods at any of the ghats. The difficulty now experienced for want of sufficient accommodation for landing goods at the main ghats would be lessened thereby, and the merchants would find it easy to cart away to the bazaar the goods landed at any of the ghats.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

71. Certain needs of the Kunnattur taluk.

Mr. R. Parasurama Aiyar, B. A. (Member, Kunnattur taluk) said that his first request was for the construction of a cartable village road from Pattakadavu to Kadapuzhakadavu. The length of the road would be about two miles. There was already an old village road from Pattakadavu towards Kadapuzha for a distance of ¾ of a mile and from where it ended, across the paddy fields, there was a belt of poramboke land now used as a pathway to Kadapuzha. The people were willing to hand over to Government any additional lands that might be required for the road free of compensation. The proposed road would connect the Kundara–Kadapuzha road with the Chavara–Sasthancottah road. The road, if constructed, would be very useful to the people of the locality and would open up the vast extent of paddy fields traversed by the road and render cultivation therein less difficult. The funds allotted for maintenance of village roads in the taluk might be diverted for the purpose.

He next urged the desirability of acquiring sites for the Adur Munsif Court, the Hospital and the English school, in view to the rise in the price of lands. Some poramboke lands were now available at the place. The buildings might be constructed in due course when funds permitted.

Dewan.—An estimate for the Munsiff's Court buildings is under preparation.

The Member then requested that a graduate in medicine might be posted to the Adur dispensary. The people had now to go to Kottarakara, Kozhenchery or Mavelikara, all more than 12 miles off, for a medical certificate or for a post mortem examination.

Lastly, the Member said that the Kodumon Reserve was situated in the midst of a populated area. It was proposed for reservation in 1080. The claims of the owners of private holdings within the block were ever since held in suspense. The Forest Settlement Officer's decisions were not, he understood, favourable to the ryots. He requested that the matter might receive the attention of the Government. He then presented a memorial signed by the ryots of the taluk praying that the Kodumon Reserve might be completely given up or that those portions of it which caused great hardship to the ryots might be excluded from the reserve.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

72. Improvement of certain roads and canals in the Kartigapalli taluk.

Mr. E. N. Kesava Pillai, B. A. (Member, Kartikapalli taluk) said that he proposed to press on the attention of the Government the necessity for improving certain of the roads and canals which were prayed for at the last session of the Assembly. The most important of them were :—

(1) the metalling of the Mavelikara–Thirkunnapuzha road for a distance of 2½ miles from Kartikapalli to Thirkunnapuzha and the construction of the bridge on that road at Kartikapalli;

(2) the metalling of the Krishnapuram–Kallercode village road from Kayankulam to Nangiarkulangara; and

(3) the deepening of the Kartikapalli canal so as to allow boat traffic through the same at all seasons.

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